National Physician Suicide Awareness Day September 17, 2021

We can all help prevent physician suicide.

Prevention begins with understanding the warning signs to look for in someone who may be suicidal. With the HEART acronym, we hope to help you easily remember these signs.

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EMOTIONS

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VITAL SIGN 1

Health

- Increasing the use of medications and/or alcohol or illicit drugs
- Talking about wanting to hurt themselves or die

Emotions

- Experiencing extreme mood swings
- Feeling hopeless or having no purpose



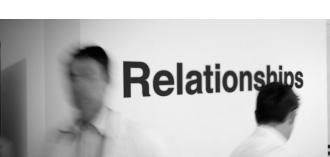


VITAL SIGN 3, Attitude

- Being negative about professional and personal life
- Having inappropriate outbursts of anger or sadness

Relationships

- Withdrawing or isolating themselves from family, friends and coworkers
- Talking about being a burden to others





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TEMPERAMENT







VITAL SIGN 5

Temperament

- Acting anxious or agitated; behaving recklessly
- Being uncomfortable, tired or in unbearable pain

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